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## **Letter**

In a telephone conversation on February 11, 2004 between applicant's attorney, Bernard Lieberman and Examiner John R. Hardee, the Examiner in charge of this application, applicant's attorney inquired as to the status of the subject application in light of the amendment mailed 10/27/03. It was then discovered that applicant's amendment was never received by the U.S. Patent Office. Examiner Hardee had no record of receiving the amendment and applicant's attorney has discovered upon reviewing the file that a date-stamped postcard was never returned to applicant.

Following the recommendation of Examiner Hardee, applicant's submit herewith a copy of the amendment as filed on 10/27/03 along with a petition for a one month extension. Both papers contain a Certificate of First Class mailing stating that the papers were deposited with the U.S. Postal Service in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents on 10/27/04.

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Examiner Hardee advised applicant's attorney that having the certificate of first class mailing was sufficient evidence to prove that the amendment was indeed mailed in response to the official action.

Applicants therefore request a confirmation by the PTO that the amendment has been received, and that the application is still pending

Respectfully submitted,

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